

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren)
Transmission Company of Illinois for a)
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
under Section 393.170.1, RSMo. relating to)
Transmission Investments in Northwest and)
Northeast Missouri)

File No. EA-2024-0302

JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through the undersigned counsel, on behalf of itself, Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois, the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”), Clean Grid Alliance, Kevin and Rochelle Hiatt, Mark Harding, McGinley-Krawczyk Farms, LLC, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”), the Missouri Electric Commission (“MEC”), Renew Missouri Advocates d/b/a Renew Missouri (“Renew Missouri”), and Sierra Club (collectively, “the parties”),¹ and respectfully submits the following procedural schedule for the Commission’s consideration:

1. The Commission held a procedural conference regarding this matter on June 9, 2025. The parties discussed with the regulatory law judge the issues that would be set for hearing. It was agreed amongst the parties that any evidentiary hearing in this matter would be limited to routing and siting issues affecting the properties of the intervenor landowners.²

¹ F. Neil Mathews shared his availability for an evidentiary hearing on September 26 via email to Staff Counsel on June 9, 2025. As of the time of this filing, Mr. Mathews has not confirmed whether he is in agreement or disagreement with the schedule outlined within this filing.

² The Commission approved the intervention requests of Mark Harding, F. Neil Matthews, and Kevin and Rochelle Hiatt on May 7, 2025. The intervention request of McGinley-Krawczyk Farms, LLC was approved on May 14, 2025.

2. The Commission subsequently issued its *Order Directing Filing* on June 10, 2025, directing the parties to file available dates for an evidentiary hearing in August, September, and October, or a jointly proposed procedural schedule, no later than June 23, 2025.

3. Following conversations amongst the parties, it is agreed a one-day hearing, limited to routing and siting issues affecting the properties of the intervener landowners, will be sufficient. The parties request that the Commission issue an order approving the procedural schedule outlined below. Any optional testimony shall be limited to routing and siting issues affecting the properties of the intervener landowners.

Event	Date
Direct Testimony (Optional)	July 17, 2025
Rebuttal Testimony (Optional)	August 14, 2025
Surrebuttal Testimony (Optional)	August 28, 2025
Last Day for Discovery Requests	September 4, 2025
List of Issues, List of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination	September 9, 2025
Position Statements	September 16, 2025
Evidentiary Hearing	September 26, 2025
Post Hearing Brief	October 16, 2025
Requested Commission Order	November 6, 2025

4. Due to the limited scope of the evidentiary hearing, Clean Grid Alliance, MISO, MEC, Renew Missouri, and Sierra Club request to be excused. Counsel for the above would like the opportunity to attend in-person or virtually.

5. The parties also request that any pre-filed testimony and the Staff Recommendation filed in EFIS prior to this proposed procedural schedule be admitted into the record without the necessity of the witnesses taking the stand.

6. The parties request that the Commission adopt the following procedures:

a. All parties shall provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel of record by electronic means and in electronic form essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format. Parties are not required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging it.

b. Parties shall make all reasonable efforts to not include confidential information in data requests. If confidential information must be included in data requests, the confidential information will be appropriately designated as such pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135.

c. Although not all parties may agree upon how each issue should be described or on whether a listed issue is in fact a proper issue in this case, the parties shall agree upon and file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. The list of issues should be detailed enough to inform the Commission of each issue that must be resolved. The parties recognize that the Commission may view any issue not contained in this list of issues to be uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission. Each party shall file a simple and concise statement summarizing its position on each disputed issue, including citations to pre-filed testimony supporting its position.

d. All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and must set forth and cite proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.

e. Data requests issued to or by Staff shall be submitted and responded to in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS"), if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc or by other means agreed to by counsel, if infeasible. Counsel for each party shall receive electronically from each other party serving a data request, an electronic copy of the text of the "description" of that data request contemporaneously with service of the data request. Regarding Staff-issued data requests, if the description contains confidential information, or is voluminous, a hyperlink to the EFIS record

of that data request shall be considered a sufficient copy. If a party desires the response to a data request that has been served on another party, the party desiring a copy of the response must request a copy of the response from the party answering the data request. Data requests shall be sent by e-mail to counsel for the other parties. Counsel may designate other personnel to be added to the service list for data requests, but shall assume responsibility for compliance with any restrictions on confidentiality. Data request responses shall be served on counsel for the requesting party, unless waived by counsel, and on the requesting party's employee or representative who submitted the data request, and shall be served electronically, if feasible and not voluminous as defined by Commission rule. In the case of Ameren Missouri data request responses, Ameren Missouri shall post its data request responses on its Caseworks Extranet site and send an email notifying the parties when it posts its response; however, in the case of responses to data requests Staff issues, Ameren Missouri shall also submit the responses to Staff data requests in EFIS, if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc or by other means agreed to by Staff counsel, if infeasible.

f. Until the filing of Direct testimony, the response time for all data requests shall be 20 calendar days, and 10 calendar days to object or notify that more than 20 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. After the filing of Direct testimony (July 17, 2025) and before the filing of Surrebuttal testimony (August 28, 2025), the response time for data requests shall be 10 calendar days to provide the requested information, and 5 business days to object or notify that more than 10 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. After the filing of Surrebuttal testimony (August 28, 2025), the response time for data requests shall be 5 business days to provide the requested information, and 2 business days to object or notify that more than 5 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. Data requests sent after 5:00 pm will be considered served on the next business day. The Commission may rule on discovery motions filed after Surrebuttal testimony is filed without holding the conference required by 20 CSR 4240- 2.090(8)(B).

g. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a witness' testimony (including schedules) and exhibits shall not be filed with the Commission, but shall be submitted to each party within 2 business days following the filing of the particular testimony, unless a party has indicated that it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing confidential information shall be appropriately marked. Counsel shall undertake to advise other counsel if the sponsored witness has no workpapers related to the round of testimony.

h. Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes in inputs or outputs, if available in that original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas

intact. Workpapers shall be provided in electronic format by e-mailing or by delivery of a compact disc or other electronic storage media.

i. Documents filed in EFIS shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via e-mail.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule* on behalf of the parties, and request the Commission issue an order approving the procedural schedule requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 23rd day of June, 2025.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff